

Agenda 2. Dialogue with the Director-General

**Statement of the Delegation of the Republic of Indonesia
on
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*Honorable Chair,
Director General of the WHO,
Excellencies,
Ladies and Gentlemen,*

First of all, I would like to thank the Director General for highlighting the important issues that we need to work together as the top priority of global health agenda.

I would like to convey 2 observations.

First, regarding the Universal Health Coverage.

Indonesia, as a country with a single payment agency in performing the largest national health insurance scheme (currently covers 187 million people or 70% of population), highly support the initiative to include UHC as one of the main priorities. In this context, we expect the UHC to cover the accessibility to health care provision with a better quality and cost-effective clinical interventions, which includes promotive, preventive, curative, rehabilitative, and palliative care for all levels of the society according to their needs.

Indonesia remains optimistic to achieve UHC by 2019. However, we also face tangible challenges on ensuring sustainable financing for UHC. I acknowledge that not only Indonesia but also some countries meet this

challenge. In this regard, we encourage the WHO to provide the best experts on UHC to assist Member States in managing sustainable financing and achieving on time UHC targets.

Second, regarding the health emergency.

Indonesia supports the WHO's efforts to put forward health emergency preparedness, surveillance, and response as one of top priorities in global health agenda. We encourage the WHO to facilitate Member States in strengthening their health-care system more resilient and responsive to any public health emergencies of international concern. We request the DG to provide further elaboration on the need to improve the WHO Emergency Medical Team and its guidelines and procedures of deployment. Indonesia is ready to contribute to this process.

Thank you, Chair.